Remarks

Applicants are amending the specification to include the serial number of a related application.

On pages 2 and 3 of the Official Action, Examiner rejected claims 1-24 under 35 U.S.C. 112 for the use of the term "sineprocessly" in claims 1, 9 and 17. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Sineprocessly was very precisely defined in the specification at page 22, lines 8-12. The definition of sineprocessly is reproduced here:

10

15

"sineprocessly," which means: prior to any initiating, or assigning the client to, a process on the server to handle subsequent secure communications from that client, as identified by any or all of the source IP address, source port and protocol.

M.P.E.P. 2773.05(a) states that a patentee may be his or her own lexicographer, and that it is desirable to use new terms, though a term may not be redefined in a manner that is repugnant to any usual meaning. Sineprocessly was clearly defined in the specification and has not been used in a manner that is repugnant to any known meaning of the

term. Thus, sineprocessly complies with 35 U.S.C. 112, and Examiner is requested to withdraw the rejection.

On pages 3-5, Examiner rejected claims 1-24 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Elgamal. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

As noted above, claims 1, 9 and 17 address sineprocessly generating and sineprocessly sending a response to a request for a server.

5

generating a response and providing a response to a request for a server sineprocessly. Elgamal does address responding to a request, but does not address doing to sineprocessly. Thus, claims 1, 9 and 17 are patentably distinguishable from Elgamal. Because claims 2-8 depend from claim 1, claims 10-16 depend from claim 9 and claims 18-24 depend from claim 17, claims 1-24 are patentably distinguishable over Elgamal.

Favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

June 25, 2005

5

10

By: Charles E. Gotlieb
Registration No. 38,164
Innovation Partners
540 University Ave., Suite 300
Palo Alto, CA 94301
(650) 328-0100